



SNA Weekly Bulletin

Week commencing 21 September

Whole School Notices

MHST Parent Webinars for Secondary Schools

Autumn	
Self-Harm	Tuesday 10/11/26 - 5.15-6.15pm
Understanding Your Teen	Wednesday 2/12/2026 - 5.15-6.15pm
Children's Emotional Health & Wellbeing	Friday 09/10/2026 - 12-1pm

Should you wish to access these, please contact m.odowd@snacademy.org.uk

Please see attached MHST webinar information regarding Children's Emotional Health & Wellbeing, Self Harm and Understanding your Teen.

Student Leadership Opportunities

This week, we introduced our new Student Leadership roles for this academic year, including House Captains, Vice House Captains, Specialist Ambassadors and our new Tutor Representatives.

If you are interested in taking on one of these roles and making a positive difference at SNA, please email Mr Melfi by Friday, the 25th of September. All information, including the role descriptions and details of how to apply, can be found on ClassCharts.

This is a fantastic opportunity to develop your leadership skills, represent your peers and help make SNA an even better place.

Curriculum +

From Thursday the 24th of September, please note that Table Tennis Club will be open to all students.

Free school meals are expanding

See attached the Nottinghamshire County Council leaflet explanation.

Year Group Notices

Congratulations to our Year 8 Girls Football Team who have progressed to the next round of the County Cup with a dominant 5-0 victory over Suthers!



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For Year 7, 8 and 9

DEAR (Drop Everything and Read) will begin on Monday, the 21st of September, Period 1.

Please make sure you have a book ready to read, either borrowed from the library or brought from home (if you are in Year 7 and 8, you will need to check with your teacher that this is okay).

For students who are new to the school, DEAR stands for Drop Everything and Read. During DEAR, all students in Years 7, 8 and 9 spend the first 15 minutes of their lesson reading independently. DEAR happens every day, on the same period, for a full week. The lesson in which DEAR takes place will change each week, meaning you will read in different subjects and with different teachers throughout the year. Don't worry, your teachers and tutors will remind you when DEAR is that week.

It is your responsibility to ensure that you always have a suitable reading book in your school bag and are ready for DEAR every day.

Reading regularly is one of the best ways to improve your literacy skills, expand your vocabulary, support your wellbeing and, most importantly, enjoy getting lost in a great book. DEAR gives everyone the opportunity to pause, relax and discover something exciting through reading.

So, find a book you enjoy, bring it along, and get ready to read!

Happy Reading!

Year 7 & 8 Girls Football

Radcliffe Olympic U13s Girls Falcons are looking to recruit some new girls to join the squad who would like to play regularly and are able to attend training and matches most weeks.

Training: Tuesday evenings 7-8pm at Bingham Road.

Matches are usually played on Sunday mornings at around 10am.

Greg Williams (Manager of the U13 Falcons) would like to invite interested players to a training session so they can meet the team, experience the environment and decide whether they would enjoy being involved before making any commitment. If you are interested, could a parent/guardian contact Greg on 07762 154 254.

Careers Notices

Year 10 - Year 13

Want to take part in something new? Develop your portfolio and creativity?

Nottingham Contemporary's Programme for 15 to 25-year-olds is for anyone wanting to be creative, gain experiences, take part in social events or get their voice heard about the things that matter.



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As part of the group, you can develop your own creative practice and knowledge of the arts sector and build your collaborative and leadership skills and experiences.

Learn more here or speak with Mrs Caunt.

<https://www.nottinghamcontemporary.org/exchange/collabor8-15-25-year-olds/>

YEAR 12 WORK EXPERIENCE

Get Ready! Work Experience is launching Soon.

Mrs Caunt is connecting with employers to help Year 12 get ahead with securing work experiences.

Start to think about your ideas and let's connect before half term!

AGES 13 TO 18 - Year 8 to Year 13

Want to learn more about Careers? Have some ideas already but would like to try out first? Take a look at the amazing range of virtual work experience through Springpod. These are industry recognised opportunities that you can try from home, gain a certificate and see whether a career interest is right for you!

<https://www.springpod.com/> Sign up needed before signing in to an experience.

KS4 and KS5 students

[Photo Tips: Building a Career in Commercial & Fashion Photography](#)

19th Nov, 6:30-7:30pm.

In this Photo Tips session, join award-winning British Pakistani photographer Shahfaq Shahbaz. Shahfaq, is a freelance portrait, fashion, and commercial photographer and she will share the practical realities of building a career in fashion and commercial photography.

[The Photography Foundation](#) is a London-based charity set up in 2019 to create pathways into photography careers and the wider creative industries.

School Bulletin: Each Bulletin will be released on Friday for the following week (stated at the top of the letter) These announcements will be kept live on Class Charts for a week, however all previous bulletins will be available to view here:

<https://www.southnottinghamshireacademy.org.uk/page/?title=SNA+Weekly+Bulletin&pid=115>



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